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1. Former Governor SHENG Shih-ts'ai (盛世才) of Sinkiang Province is at present being detained in Chiehshih (106-42, 28-50) near Chungking, Szechuan Province. SHENG was made a prisoner after he was called to Chungking in late 1944.
2. After SHENG Shih-ts'ai's recall, his three younger brothers, SHENG Shih-ch'i (盛世琪), SHENG Shih-ying (盛世英) and the third brother who is now dead, went to the USSR and the two men are still there.
3. Soviet authorities are planning to use these two brothers in their political plots against China. As SHENG Shih-ts'ai was formerly a leader in Manchuria and was able to take over Sinkiang with Manchurian troops and Soviet aid in 1933, his two brothers may be given important posts within the Chinese Soviet Government in Manchuria.
4. Utovsky, Soviet Consul in Peiping (May 1948), was formerly military adviser to SHENG Shih-ts'ai when he was Governor of Sinkiang. Utovsky is very skillful in engineering political plots, and his greatest accomplishment was engineering the so-called "April Incident" (12 April 1933), which he planned and prepared for when he was SHENG's military adviser. Utovsky is often seen in and near the premises of the "Association of the Natives of Hami" in Peiping.

(Washington Comment. Utovsky is unidentified by this office. See [REDACTED] for previous report on Soviet officials in China.)

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